

**AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 2 with the following amended paragraph:

This application is a divisional of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/125,673 filed April 18, 2002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,783,438 and entitled METHOD OF MANUFACTURING AN ENDODONTIC INSTRUMENT, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety as if completely set forth herein below.